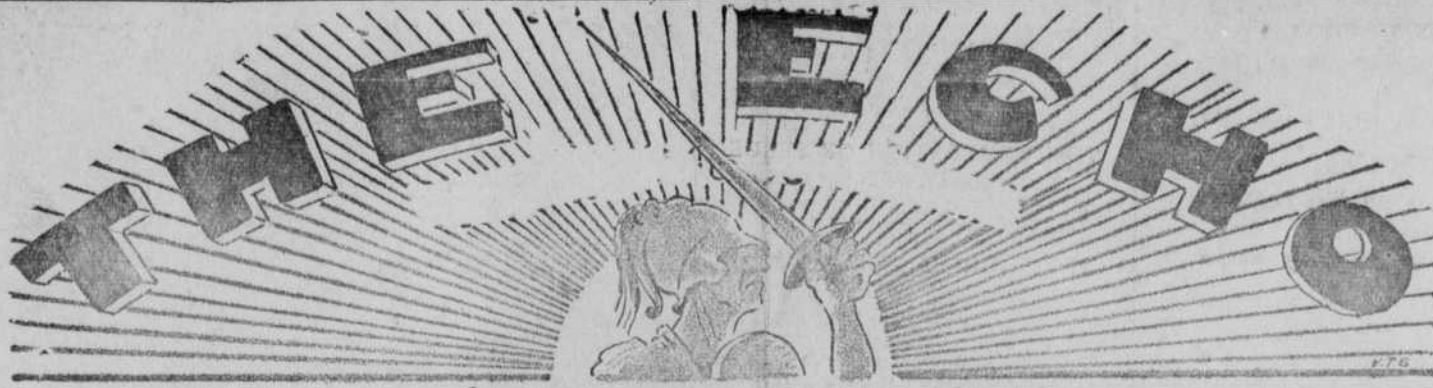


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THE U.S. MUST WIN WAR

Now Is The Time To Buy Government Bonds And Stamps

Reverend R. L. Young, pastor of
Newell Chapel C. M. E. Church, Gen-
eral Secretary of the Holbrook Bene-
volent Association and editor of The
Weekly Echo says:



Now is the time to come to the de-
fense of our country. Do not wait,
do not delay. Any persons interested
in helping defend our country can do
so in many ways. Persons who de-
sire to buy Government Savings

REVEREND E. F. YOUNG KEEPS
UP OLD RECORD



According to an announcement by
Reverend O. A. Hill, Presiding Elder
on the Meridian District, Reverend E.
F. Young, the old warrior, has been
awarded first prize among pastors of
"B" class Churches on the Meridian
District.

Reverend E. F. Young reported the
highest percentage of General Fund
and Educational assessment of any
pastor on the District of the "B"
Class Churches. He is the popular
pastor of the Little Zion and Oak
Grove Circuit.

Stamps are asked to call Reverend
Young at his office, telephone 8377 or
at his residence, 3323, or write him at
Box 1043, Meridian, Mississippi.

Reverend Young is in position to
furnish Government Stamps from 10c
up. Get a Government Defense Al-
bum from Reverend Young and after
it is filled it can be exchanged for a
United States Savings Bond.

You purchase the bond for \$15.75
and in ten years it will bring you
\$25.00. If for any reason you are
forced to discontinue your savings be-
cause of having no job, etc., the full
amount that you have paid in will be
refunded to you plus interest.

Reverend Young is appealing to
Church members and to the members
of the Holbrook Benevolent Associa-
tion (H. B. A.) and other interested
persons to communicate with him im-
mediately.

He now has the authority to make
addresses and talks in churches and
various communities explaining to his
people how they may proceed to pur-
chase United States Savings Stamps
or Bonds.

STATE LINE NEWS

Dear Editor:

This comes to inform you that I
am not in the drive, however, if those
other presidents can get ten members
I can get ten too.

C. L. Moore,
President, H. B. A. No. 301

New Cleaning And Pressing Shop In City

NEW CLEANING AND PRESSING
SHOP IN MERIDIAN

Mr. D. B. Young, the youngest son
of Reverend E. F. Young, has opened
up a down town cleaning and press-
ing shop. His business is located at
2504 5th Street in Youngs' Building,
next door to Buckingham Clinic.

Mr. Young is an experienced press-
er and cleaner and he solicits the sup-
port and influence of his many friends.

NEW CLERK IN PEOPLE'S CASH GROCERY

Miss Alma Pittman Now Clerk in
People's Cash Grocery

Miss Alma Pittman wants her many
friends to know that she is
now a clerk in the People's Cash Gro-
cery, 501 25th Avenue. She is ask-
ing her many friends to come by or
call her over telephone No. 4267, and
give her some of their trade, thereby
helping her to make good as a clerk



Rev. B. W. Coats began a series of
sermon on the Lords Prayer, Sunday
January 18, 1942 preaching from the
Subject "Our Father And Our Fathers
home the sermon for Sunday Jan. 18
will be "Our Fathers Name" the
first sermon was enthusiastically re-
ceived.

STATE LINE, MISS.

Dear Editor:

I wish to say that to the many
readers of the Echo, that Lodge No.
355 is in good condition, no debts and
money on hand. We are working
hard to get some new members on
this Dispensation Drive.

We wish to state that the H. B. A.
is one Organization that everyone
should admire, because we know that
we are "best by every test".

George L. Pierce, Jr.
President of Lodge No. 355

at this store, owned and operated by
colored in down town Meridian.

Miss Mary O. T. Foster, who has
charge of the sandwich department of
the People's Cash Grocery, is solici-
tious of support from her many, many
friends. She has been with the
People's Cash Grocery for two or
three months.

The American People Must See To It That Democracy Must Not Fail

THE U. S. A. MUST WIN THIS WAR

The American People Must See to it
That Democracy Must Not Fail

The great world war that is now in
progress cannot last always. History
shows that there has been many wars,
however, this is the greatest and most
outrageous war that the world has
ever known.

The United States is the great de-
termining factor in this world strug-
gle. Now that we have entered the
war we must see to it that the Dem-
ocratic way of life must not fail. All
of us, irrespective of race, creed or
color must fight to save Democracy.

It is a fact that we have been a
wasteful nation and a wasteful people
because we live in a land of plenty,
however, the time has come, the time
is now at hand that we must econo-
mize if the war is to be won. We
must lose sight of race prejudice and
race hatred. The black man must
forget about the white man per se and
the white man must forget about the
black man per se.

In this great struggle there must
be no white nor black. There must
be no rich nor poor. There must be
no high nor low. There must be no
great nor small. There must be no
little nor big. To win this battle
against the Axis powers we must con-
centrate our forces. . . we must con-
centrate our energy and this concentra-
tion must be sincere. It must be
from the heart. When the editor was
a boy he very often heard this ex-
pression "Beauty is only skin deep,
but ugly is to the bone." If we mean
to win this war, what we say, what
we do and what we act must be from
the bone.

The time is now at hand that the
white and black of America, the red,
yellow and whatnot of America must
mean everything from the bone, else
Democracy will be weighed in the
balance and found wanting. I know
it is hard for us to lose sight of the
old way of living. The old way of
treating men and women because of
race, but it will be still harder for us
to live under a government ruled and
governed by the Axis Powers. There-
fore, to the American people, what we
do, what we say and how we act now,
must come from the bone, otherwise,
we are in the balance. Americans de-
fend America and the Democratic way
of living to the last ditch.

"GET THEM OUT OF MY POCKET"



Dear Secretary:

I am today sending you four Ap-
plication Blanks for new members. I
have four more in my pocket. Send
me some Application Blanks at once.
I must have my 10 members before
the March Board. We are going to do
that thing.

I am going to beat some of the
Presidents in this drive.

J. C. Jordan

Pres. Lodge No. 251

Waynesboro, Mississippi

Newell Chapel, Haven Chapel And Meridian Circuit Stage Hectic Battle Friday Night, January 30, 8:30 O'clock

THREE CHURCHES STAGE BIG CONTEST

Newell Chapel, Haven Chapel and
Meridian Circuit Stage Hectic
Battle Friday Night, Jan. 30,
8:30 O'clock

On Friday, January 30th, 8:30 P.
M., one of the most hectic battles will
be staged in the H. B. A. auditorium
perhaps in the history of Meridian.
Three outstanding churches headed by

their choirs of the various churches
will declare "war" on each other. The
choir and members of Newell Chapel
Church, the choir and members of
Haven Chapel Church and the choir
and members of the Meridian Circuit
will use "submarines" "dive bombers"
and "airplanes" to defend their pas-
tors.

The program will begin at 7:30 and
the great explosion will begin at 8:30.
The choirs and members of each
church want their pastor to be the
most popular pastor in the city. The

"battle" royal will be staged and
fought in honor of Reverends R. L.
Young of Newell Chapel C. M. E., J.
H. Griggs of Haven Chapel, Metho-
dist and A. L. Gerald, Meridian Cir-
cuit, Methodist.

Come early if you want a seat in
the H. B. A. auditorium.

Reverend Griggs and Gerald have
announced to Reverend Young and his
members that they may as well pre-
pare air-raid shelters for the hectic
fighters of Haven Chapel and Me-
ridian Circuit.

WEEKLY DEVOTION

STATION WCOC, MERIDIAN

Saturday Morning 9:35

JAN. 3rd—REV. LUKE BEARD, New
Hope Baptist Church.

JAN. 10th—REV. F. P. LEONARD,
District Supt., Methodist Church.

JAN. 17th—REV. I. S. PENTUS,
Pilgrim Baptist Church.

JAN. 24th—REV. E. W. ROGERS,
South Side Methodist Church.

JAN. 31st—REV. C. O. INGE, Mt.
Bethel Baptist Church.